

R156. Commerce, Occupational and Professional Licensing.

R156-42. Occupational Therapy Practice Act Rules.

R156-42a-101. Title.

These rules are known as the "Occupational Therapy Practice Act Rules".

R156-42a-102. Definitions.

In addition to the definitions in Title 58, Chapters 1 and 42a, as used in Title 58, Chapters 1 and 42a, or these rules:

(1) "General supervision" as used in Section 58-42a-304 and Subsection R156-42a-302b(2) means the supervising occupational therapist is:

(a) present in the area where the person supervised is performing services; and
(b) immediately available to assist the person being supervised in the services being performed.

(2) "Consult with the attending physician" as used in Subsection 58-42a-501(6) means that the occupational therapist will consult with the attending physician when an acute change of patient condition affects the occupational therapy services being performed.

(3) "Physical agent modalities" as used in Subsection 58-42a-102(9)(g), means specialized treatment procedures that produce a response in soft tissue through the use of light, water, temperature, sound or electricity such as hot packs, ice, paraffin, and electrical or sound currents.

(4) "Unprofessional conduct" as defined in Title 58, Chapters 1 and 42a, is further defined, in accordance with Subsection 58-1-203(5), in Section R156-42a-502.

R156-42a-103. Authority - Purpose.

These rules are adopted by the division under the authority of Subsection 58-1-106(1) to enable the division to administer Title 58, Chapter 42a.

R156-42a-104. Organization - Relationship to Rule 156-1.

The organization of this rule and its relationship to Rule R156-1 is as described in Section R156-1-107.

R156-42a-302a. Qualifications for Licensure - Examination Requirements.

In accordance with Section 58-1-309, all applicants for licensure or temporary licensure must pass the Occupational Therapy Law and Rule Examination.

R156-42a-302b. Qualifications for Temporary Licensure - Supervision Required.

(1) In accordance with Section 58-1-303, an applicant for temporary licensure shall:

(a) submit an application for temporary license which includes a verification that the applicant has registered to take the next available Occupational Therapy Certification Examination required to become certified by the American Occupational Therapy Certification Board; and

(b) pay the required temporary license application fee.

(2) An occupational therapist or occupational therapist assistant who is issued a temporary license must practice occupational therapy under the general supervision of a Utah licensed occupational therapist.

R156-42a-303. Renewal Cycle - Procedures.

(1) In accordance with Subsection 58-1-308(1), the renewal date for the two-year renewal cycle applicable to licenses under Title 58, Chapter 42a is established by rule in R156-1-308.

(2) Renewal procedures shall be in accordance with Section R156-1-308.

R156-42a-502. Unprofessional Conduct.

"Unprofessional conduct" includes:

(1) delegating supervision, or occupational therapy services, care or

responsibilities not authorized under Title 58, Chapter 42a or these rules;

(2) engaging in or attempting to engage in the use of physical agent modalities when not competent to do so by education, training, or experience; and

(3) failing to provide general supervision as set forth in Title 58, Chapter 42a and these rules.

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